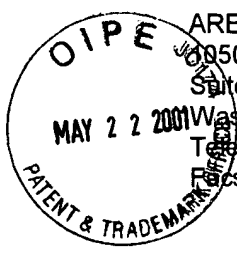


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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**



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**BOX CPA**

**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER RULE 1.53(d)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) is a request for filing a

- ☒ Continuation      ☐ Divisional

continued prosecution application of prior pending Application No. 09/359,783, filed July 26, 1999.

For (Title): AUDIO SIGNAL PROCESSING APPARATUS

(Amended Title): \_\_\_\_\_

By (Inventors): YAMADA et al.

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1. ☒ Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application.
2. ☒ The filing fee is calculated below.

CLAIMS REMAINING IN THE APPLICATION AFTER  
ENTRY OF ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OR  
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116 NOTED BELOW

FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	8 - 20	= 0
INDEP CLAIMS	2 - 3	= 0
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SMALL ENTITY		OR	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
	\$ 355	OR		\$ 710
x 9 =	\$	OR	x 18	\$
x 40 =	\$	OR	x 80	\$
+135 =	\$	OR	+270	\$
TOTAL	\$	OR	TOTAL	\$ 710

3. ☒ A check in the amount of \$1490 to cover the filing fee and the Petition for Three-Months Extension of Time (less \$110 paid April 5, 2001) is attached (Check No. 317974). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.
4. ☐ No fee is attached. Please do not charge our deposit account.
5. ☐ Cancel in this application claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
6. ☒ Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.116 with any attachments filed on April 5, 2001 in said prior application, which was not entered therein.
7. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application (37 C.F.R §1.53(d)(4)). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application:  
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8. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.
9. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached along with Form PTO-1449 and \_\_\_\_\_ references.
10. ☐ Small entity status:  
☐ a. A small entity statement is attached.  
☐ b. A small entity statement was filed in the parent application and such status is still proper and desired.  
☐ c. Small entity status is no longer claimed.
11. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
12. ☒ Address all future communications to:

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